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1. Ellrich (003): Large quantities of German Army ammunition were being moved into an underground V-weapon plant at Ellrich during January 1947. On 28 January, boxes of small arms ammunition and small calibre artillery shells were delivered. Unemployed persons in the area were drafted for this work; according to two of them, who had worked in the plant for two months, it contained approximately 500,000 tons of ammunition. The plant, which extends into a mountain, was scheduled to be blown up by the Russians on 15 February.
2. Hohenleipisch (A03): The Munitionsanstalt (MUNA) plant has been working at full capacity, with 800 employees, since the summer of 1946. The installation was built by the Luftwaffe about 1938; part of it is underground. Up to 10 February 1947, the plant was producing 500 and 1,000 kg aerial bombs. The bombs have been provided with a new type of fuse since October 1946.

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